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FOR YEMEN DESK OFFICER GERLACH FROM SCOTES

E.O. 11652 N/A

TAGS: PGOV

SUBJ: ESTABLISHMENT OF YEMENI FOREIGN MINISTRY TRAINING
DIVISION

1. I RECENTLY WROTE YOU A LETTER IN WHICH I DESCRIBED MY FEBRUARY 7 MEETING WITH DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER MUQBILI WHO ASKED IF WE COULD HELP THE FOREIGN MINISTRY ESTABLISH A TRAINING COMPONENT SIMILAR TO THE FOREIGN SERVICE INSTITUTE. SPECIFICALLY HE STATED THAT IBRAHIM AL-KIBSI, THE BRIGHT AND EFFICIENT NUMBER TWO MAN AT THE YAR EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON, HAS BEEN GIVEN THREE MONTHS OFF FROM HIS WORK IN WASHINGTON TO OBSERVE WHAT WE DO PRIOR TO HIS RETURNING TO SANA TO SET UP SOME KIND OF TRAINING PROGRAM HERE.

2. WE NOW HAVE A FOREIGN OFFICE NOTE NO. 5/15/1 OF FEBRUARY 9 ASKING WHETHER OR NOT WE CAN SUPPLY TRAINING FOR AL-KIBSE IN "STUDIES, RESERACH AND EVALUATION".

3. BELIEVE THAT DESK IS IN BEST POSITION TO FIELD THIS INTERESTING REQUEST. FOREIGN OFFICE IS AT MOMENT CHOCK FULL OF "INTERNATIONAL LAW" GRADUATES OF SOVIET UNIVERSITIES. HEADS OF INTERNATIONAL, POLITICAL AND UNCLASSIFIED

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ADMINISTRATIVE SECTIONS ALL FALL INTO THIS CATEGORY. THERE IS LITTLE HERE IN WAY OF MATERIALS OR COURSES TO CORRECT IMPRESSIONS THEY GOT TEN YEARS AGO FROM SOVIET AND RADICAL ARAB NEWSPAPERS AND PROPAGANDA LINE. I THINK SOME EXPOSURE TO FSI'S SHORT COURSES, TO THE MORE ELABORATE SEMINARS WHICH ARE STAGED AT JOHNS HOPKINS SCHOOL OF ADVANCED INTERNATIONAL STUDIES (SAIS, MIDDLE

EAST INSTITUTE, AND GEORGETOWN SCHOOL OF STRATEGIC STUDIES
WOULD BE USEFUL AS WELL AS A ONE-TIME LOOK AT INR IN
DEPARTMENT. SAIS MOUNTS A COURSE FOR YOUNG FOREIGN
DIPLOMATS ON ASSIGNMENT THERE AND HE MIGHT ATTEND, LIFT
THE CURRICULUM IN WHOLE, AND TRY TO MOUNT A COPY HERE IN
SANA.

4. I FIRMLY BELIEVE THIS IS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR US
AND I AM COUNTING ON THE DESK'S USUAL IMAGINATIVE AND
EFFICIENT FOLLOW-THROUGH.
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